

**REMARKS**

Applicant requests the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office to enter the Amendments submitted under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 for the following reasons:


In reply to the Notice of Allowability mailed on August 15, 2006 from the Patent Office, replacement drawings are being concurrently submitted. In the replacement drawings, Fig. 1 is shown, for the first time, as being formed of Figs. 1A - 1D. The foregoing amendment to the specification is for purposes of making the specification consistent with the replacement drawings at the first opportunity to do so.

No new matter is introduced and no change in the scope of the claims is being made. Thus, no new search is necessitated and no new issues for examination are raised. Acceptance and entry is respectfully requested.

Authorization is hereby granted to charge any additional fees which may be due in this matter to Deposit Account No. 08-0380. A copy of this letter is enclosed for accounting purposes.

Respectfully submitted,

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